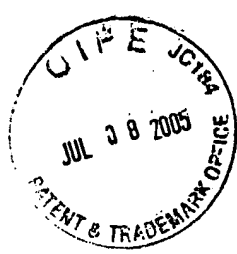


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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed June 16, 2005 in the above-identified application, all of the claims are now listed with the proper status qualifiers.